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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN

**Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters
IOLA, ALLEN COUNTY, KANSAS**

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**U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 7**

THE U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S (EPA)
SUPERFUND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM IS COMMITTED
TO PROMOTING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CITIZENS AND THE AGENCY.

ACTIVE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IS CRUCIAL TO THE SUCCESS OF ANY PUBLIC PROJECT.

EPA'S COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES AT THE
FORMER UNITED ZINC & ASSOCIATED SMELTERS SUPERFUND SITE
ARE DESIGNED TO

INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE NATURE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THE SITE,

INVOLVE THE PUBLIC IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS THAT WILL AFFECT THEM,

INVOLVE THE PUBLIC IN THE RESPONSES UNDER CONSIDERATION TO REMEDY THESE ISSUES, AND

INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE PROGRESS BEING MADE TO IMPLEMENT THE REMEDY.

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Section 1.0

Overview of the Community Involvement Plan

The EPA developed this Community Involvement Plan to facilitate two-way communication between the community surrounding the Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters Superfund Site (site) and EPA and to encourage community involvement in site activities. The EPA will utilize the community involvement activities outlined in this plan to ensure that residents are continuously informed and provided opportunities to be involved.

EPA drew upon several information sources to develop this plan, including community interviews and site files. EPA's Regional Office will oversee the implementation of the community involvement activities outlined in this plan.

Section 2.0

Capsule Site Description

2.1 Site History

The Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters Site is located in and around the city of Iola, Allen County, Kansas. The main Former United Zinc facility is located on the east side of Iola within a mixture of residential and commercial properties. Several zinc and lead smelters operated in the area between 1902 and 1925. Over the years, residential and non-residential properties became contaminated with elevated levels of lead, arsenic, cadmium and zinc as a result of the historical lead and zinc smelting operations that took place in the area.

2.2 Site Description/Location

The site is located in Iola, which is the county seat for Allen County, Kansas. The population of Iola was approximately 5,704 in the year 2010. Along with a beautiful town square, Iola includes a nearby county airport, a community college, and five public parks. Major industries in the town include Gates Corporation, Russell Stover's Candies, Herff-Jones, Columbia Metals Products, TRAMEC, LLC, Cameron International and Sonic Equipment Company.

2.3 Site Inspections and Cleanup Activities

The state of Kansas referred the site to the Environmental Protection Agency for Superfund removal action in September 2005. To date, EPA has screened 1,686 properties in Iola for contamination. Under the Superfund Time-Critical Removal Program, EPA excavated 129 residential properties with lead contamination above 800 parts per million (ppm). EPA has identified approximately 400 additional properties with lead above 400 ppm. EPA will address these properties with funding from the remedial program. EPA conducted a cleanup at the McKinley Elementary School on June 4, 2007.

On September 14, 2012, EPA proposed the site for inclusion on the National Priorities List (NPL). The public was given sixty days to comment on the proposal. The NPL is a list of the nation's hazardous waste sites with the highest priority for cleanup. These sites are eligible for extensive, long-term response action money authorized by Congress under the Superfund program. The EPA received letters of support for placing the site on the NPL from the governor of Kansas and the mayor of Iola. EPA did not receive any public comments on the Agency's proposal to place the site on the NPL. On May 21, 2013, EPA placed the site on the NPL.

EPA has begun a Remedial Investigation (RI) to fully identify the extent of contamination. A Feasibility Study (FS) will evaluate the appropriate methods for cleanup and will estimate the cost to remediate all contaminated soil at the site. This study will help EPA plan a remedial action addressing risk at properties that were not cleaned up during the earlier removal action. In May 2013, EPA began sampling an additional 1,400 residential properties located within the community of Iola.

Section 3.0

Community Background

3.1 History of Community Involvement

EPA representatives have met with city officials regarding the site on several occasions. In addition, EPA has summarized the status of the site during two Iola City Council meetings.

On October 14, 2005, EPA placed a display ad in The Iola Register to announce the availability of the site's Administrative Record and to invite the public to comment on the record.

In March 2006, EPA mailed a fact sheet to the local community to invite them to a public meeting scheduled April 4, 2006, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Bowlus Fines Arts Center in Iola. During the meeting, EPA provided background information about the site and encouraged the public to submit access agreements to enable EPA to begin sampling activities. EPA placed a display ad in The Iola Register on March 28, 2006, as another way to invite the public to the meeting.

EPA ran a Public Service Announcement on the Iola radio station from April 11 to April 30, 2006, to announce that EPA was beginning to test residential yards for contamination.

In August 2006, EPA mailed a fact sheet to the local community to announce the initiation of the Time-Critical Removal Action. EPA also placed a display ad in The Iola Register on August 14, 2006, to announce the initiation of Time-Critical Removal activities.

EPA mailed a fact sheet to the local community in September 2006 to announce a public meeting scheduled September 27, 2006, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Bowlus Fine Arts Center in Iola. During the meeting, EPA provided the community with a progress report about sampling

and cleanup activities at the site. EPA placed a display ad in The Iola Register on September 21, 23 and 26, 2006, as another way to publicize the September 27, 2006, public meeting.

In September 2006, EPA distributed a fact sheet to the local community to answer frequently asked questions about the access, sampling and removal cleanup processes taking place at the site.

EPA, in conjunction with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) sponsored free blood screenings on May 11 and 12, 2007, at the Iola Fire Department. EPA publicized the free blood screenings by running a Public Service Announcement in the local radio station from May 7 to May 12, 2007.

In August 2007, EPA mailed a fact sheet to the local community to keep the public informed about ongoing Time-Critical Removal cleanup activities. The fact sheet focused on removal of lead-contaminated soils from the McKinley and Jefferson Elementary Schools and from a local daycare center.

On September 14, 2012, EPA proposed the site for inclusion on the NPL. Both the governor of Kansas and the mayor of Iola sent letters to EPA supporting the listing of the site on the NPL. EPA publicized its decision to propose the site in The Federal Register on September 14, 2013. The public was given 60 days to submit comments on the proposal to add the site to the NPL.

On May 21, 2013, EPA announced its decision to place the site on the NPL. The national EPA office and EPA Region 7 both distributed press releases to announce the decision to place the Former United Zinc Site on the NPL.

3.3 Analysis of Key Community Issues and Concerns

EPA conducted community interviews from May 6 through June 10, 2013 with a cross section of community residents, municipal and county officials, and business representatives. Questions used during the interviews are in Appendix D of this plan. The issues and concerns heard by EPA during the interviews are summarized below.

Public Awareness about the Site – All of the people interviewed were aware of the Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters Site. Interviewees reported that they were aware of the site activities and the placement of the site on the Superfund National Priorities List. Some had attended EPA public meetings. The people interviewed concurred that a site repository location at the Iola City Hall was an appropriate place for document placement concerning site activities.

Meeting Locations, Timing and Publicity - Interviewees agreed that the Thomas Bowlus Fine Arts Center in Iola was an appropriate location for EPA's community meetings. Several interviewees stated that the two city-operated community buildings (North Community Center and Riverside Park Community Center) would also serve as good meeting locations. When questioned about media resources that would be most familiar to the local community, most

interviewees pointed to The Iola Register, a local paper that is released each day except for Friday and Sunday. This newspaper has consistently covered site activities and EPA has placed ads in this newspaper prior to all public meetings and major site announcements. The deadline for information placement in this paper is two days before the date the ad will appear.

Community Information Needs – Everyone interviewed wanted to be kept informed about site cleanup activities. EPA has relied on a variety of methods to inform the community including issuance of press releases and fact sheets, and has established and will maintain a site repository. Based on the interviews conducted, there appears to be a general consensus that local residents want EPA to continue to inform the local community about the site. Many residents stated that they prefer to receive information directly in the mail (e.g., fact sheets) as opposed to attending public meetings. This is more convenient for residents who are often too busy to attend evening meetings.

Overall Community Satisfaction with EPA's Cleanup Activities – Interviewees generally expressed satisfaction with the work that EPA is doing at the site. Residents seemed to be well informed about sampling and soil removal activities.

Section 4.0

EPA's Community Involvement Program

4.1 Goals

This community involvement program is designed to keep the public informed of site progress, establish two-way communication, and provide opportunities for public input during site activities. A primary goal is to involve the community in site cleanup decisions as required under Superfund law.

4.2 Objectives

EPA will strive to achieve the following objectives through implementation of the community involvement program:

1. Share site information with the community on a timely basis and in nontechnical language.
2. Encourage and publicize opportunities for community input regarding site activities and proposed cleanup plans.
3. Notify local officials, residents, and businesses in the site area before field work or other site actions take place.
4. Maintain site information in the community and make it accessible to all interested residents and other stakeholders.
5. Increase the level of awareness and understanding of the Superfund process and specific activities involved in the process.

4.3 Key Messages

EPA will use the following key messages for community involvement activities related to the Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters Superfund Site:

1. EPA is addressing the site using the Superfund process and will comply with Superfund requirements and EPA technical criteria.
2. Based on the results of each remedial investigation and feasibility study for the site, EPA will select a remedy that provides the best balance of environmental and human health protection while serving community interests.
3. Throughout site activities, EPA will share information about the site and include community stakeholders in cleanup decisions.

4.4 Target Audiences

The community involvement program will focus on the following audiences:

- Residents and businesses located within the site location.
- Elected and administrative officials of local, state and federal agencies serving the site community.
- Area news media as a vehicle for informing the general public.

Appendix A contains Key Contacts, lists government officials, community groups, and local news media. EPA has developed a site mailing list that includes the key contacts, residents and others in the target audience. The site mailing list will be expanded and updated as needed.

4.5 Community Involvement Activities

Activities outlined in this plan are designed to fulfill public involvement requirements under Superfund, address community concerns regarding the site, and provide a variety of opportunities for interested individuals to participate in the cleanup process. During the interviews, EPA asked community members to identify the most effective methods to provide information, allow for input, and reach the largest number of persons in the target audiences.

Those interviewed suggested EPA distribute fact sheets and schedule public meetings as the most appropriate vehicle for informing the local community about site activities. In addition, most interviewees stated that The Iola Register was the newspaper of choice for the local community.

One of the vehicles available for community involvement at Superfund sites is a Community Advisory Group (CAG). The CAG provides a forum for community members to present and discuss their needs and concerns related to the Superfund decision-making process. Any community members who are interested in forming a CAG should contact Dianna Whitaker at 913-551-7598 or whitaker.dianna@epa.gov for additional information.

EPA wants to help affected communities understand the technical information related to a site. EPA's Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program provides up to \$50,000 for a qualified citizens group to hire independent advisors. The advisors can help citizens interpret technical data, understand site hazards, and become more knowledgeable about the different technologies used to clean up sites. Contact Dianna Whitaker, Community Involvement Coordinator, to obtain additional information about this grant program.

EPA also offers the Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) program to provide educational and technical assistance to communities affected by hazardous waste sites. TASC provides this assistance through independent technical experts. For additional information about TASC, contact Dianna Whitaker at 913-551-7598 or whitaker.dianna@epa.gov.

EPA will continue the following community involvement activities during cleanup activities for the site:

- Publicize a point of contact for site information.
- Maintain the site information repository and administrative record file.
- Update the site mailing list.
- Prepare and distribute fact sheets/updates about site activities.
- Prepare and distribute press releases/public notices at key milestones.
- Provide informal briefings for interested public officials or community groups.
- Hold public meetings or availability sessions about site activities, as required by Superfund or community interest.
- Hold a public comment period on each proposed plan for site cleanup.

4.5.1 EPA, KDHE and ATSDR Points of Contact

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4.5.2 Site Administrative Record File

The administrative record file is housed at City Hall, 2 W. Jackson in Iola, Kansas, and at the EPA Records Center, 11201 Renner Boulevard in Lenexa, Kansas. The administrative record file includes all documents and data produced during site investigations used to develop cleanup alternatives for the site. Appendix C includes specific location information for the site administrative record file.

4.5.3 Site Mailing List

EPA has developed and will maintain a mailing list for the site. The list includes municipal and county officials representing the site community, community residents and property owners, and local news media contacts. EPA will update the list before each mailing.

4.5.4 Fact Sheets or Site Updates

EPA will provide fact sheets or site updates at key stages of the site cleanup process to summarize findings or other important information. EPA will make every effort to use clear,

nontechnical language. All written materials will include site contact names and phone numbers, repository locations, and opportunities for community involvement.

At the end of the feasibility study for the site, a fact sheet will be prepared to summarize EPA's proposed plan for cleanup of the site. All fact sheets and updates will be placed in the administrative record and distributed to the mailing list.

4.5.5 Public Notices/Press Releases

EPA will issue notices and/or press releases to the local news media to announce key milestones and/or to notify the community of important events, such as public comment periods.

EPA will place a public notice in the most widely read local newspaper serving the site area when the proposed plan is released to the community. The ad will include a brief summary of cleanup options considered for the site; EPA's recommended alternative; the date, time and place of the public meeting; dates for the public comment period; and contact information for additional information.

4.5.6 Public Meetings or Availability Sessions

Public meetings or availability sessions will be held to explain major site developments. EPA will hold a required public meeting to summarize cleanup options presented in the feasibility study and receive public comment on the proposed cleanup plan. Public meetings will be held in a facility that is conveniently located for the site community.

4.5.7 Public Comment Period

When the remedial investigation and feasibility study is completed for the site, EPA will announce and hold a public comment period for a minimum of 30 days, as required under Superfund law. The comment period provides interested community members with an opportunity to review and comment on each proposed plan for cleanup for the site. EPA will consider all comments submitted before making its final decision on the most appropriate cleanup plan for the site. A responsiveness summary will be prepared to summarize and address any significant issues raised by commenters.

4.5.8 Other Sources of Information

Information is available online about the Superfund program in EPA Region 7 at <http://www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/index.htm>. In addition, EPA Headquarters' Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response maintains a web site with general information about Superfund and related programs at <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/index.htm>. Site-specific questions should be directed to the EPA Community Involvement Coordinator Dianna Whitaker at 913-551-7598 or whitaker.dianna@epa.gov.

4.6 Evaluation of Community Involvement Program

EPA will monitor community needs and input regarding the usefulness of the communication activities undertaken in this program. EPA will make every effort to address citizen concerns about the site using channels and formats suggested by community members.

4.7 Implementation Schedule

Community involvement activities for the site will follow Superfund requirements, with supplemental activities at appropriate milestones to address community requests for information and involvement. The Table in Section 4.8 presents the suggested timing for community involvement activities.

4.8 Time Frame Summary for Community Involvement Activities

Technical Milestone	Community Involvement Activities
Start of remedial investigation and feasibility study process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish and maintain information repository and administrative record file.• Designate EPA contact person(s).• Develop community mailing list.• Prepare fact sheet on plans for remedial investigation; distribute to mailing list and repository.• Hold public meeting or availability session to explain Superfund process and remedial investigation plans.• Contact local media representatives and issue notices of meetings.• Offer presentations on site activities to community residents and interested groups.
During remedial investigation and feasibility study process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain telephone contact with officials and groups involved in process; respond to inquiries.• Issue news releases and site updates as needed to keep media and public informed of progress.• Hold meetings or availability sessions as needed to address questions about site activities.
Completion of remedial investigation and risk assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distribute a fact sheet summarizing remedial investigation findings and risk assessment results.• Update the administrative record file with the remedial investigation and risk assessment reports and other relevant information.• Hold a public meeting or availability session.

Technical Milestone	Community Involvement Activities
Completion of feasibility study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publish a notice of availability of the remedial investigation and feasibility study reports and a summary of cleanup alternatives and the proposed plan in local newspaper. • Announce and hold a minimum 30-day public comment period. • Hold a public meeting to accept comments on the proposed plan. • Prepare a transcript of the public meeting. • Update administrative record with remedial investigation and feasibility study reports and proposed plan documents before the start of public comment period and at least 2 weeks before the public meeting. • Distribute a fact sheet on the cleanup alternatives and proposed plan to mailing list.
Record of Decision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare a responsiveness summary. • Publish a notice announcing EPA's selection of cleanup remedy and signing of the record of decision. • Update administrative record file with all documents used in cleanup decision, the record of decision and responsiveness summary. • Distribute a news release and/or site update. • Hold meeting or conduct briefings for local groups as needed.
Remedial Design and Action (Cleanup)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revise community involvement plan as needed. • Distribute a news release and/or site update. • Hold meeting or availability sessions to discuss site cleanup plans and activities. • Distribute fact sheets explaining cleanup details. • Issue news releases on site cleanup milestones.

Appendix A

Key Contacts

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Morning Sun

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Television

KOAM-TV (Channel 7)

2950 NE Highway 69
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KFJX-TV (Channel 14)

2950 NE Highway 69
Pittsburg, KS 66762

Radio

KRPS – FM Radio 89.9

P.O. Box 899
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KKOW - AM Radio 860

1162 E. Highway 126
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KIKS/KIOL – AM Radio 1370

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Appendix B Meeting Locations

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Iola, KS 66749
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The library meeting room will hold up to 65. There is a \$30 fee to use the room for 4 hours and \$10 per hour thereafter. There is also a cleaning deposit of \$50 which will be returned if the room is left in satisfactory condition. The room is available from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

North Community Building
505 N. Buckeye
Iola, KS 66749
Tel: 620-365-4932

Riverside Park Community Building
510 Park Avenue
Iola, KS 66749
Tel: 620-365-4988

The Iola Parks Department manages these public buildings. The North Community Building holds up to 176 and the Riverside Park Building holds up to 96. There is a \$50 charge with a \$50 deposit to use one of the two community buildings. It is possible that the city of Iola would waive the room fees for an EPA public meeting.

EPA's Reasonable Accommodations Policy:

EPA Region 7 is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to individuals with disabilities. If a community member requires a reasonable accommodation to participate at one of EPA's public meetings, the Agency invites the resident to notify the EPA Reasonable Accommodations Coordinator, Jonathan Cooper at 1-800-223-0425 or by e-mail at cooper.jonathan@epa.gov at least seven (7) days prior to the advertised public meeting. Speech or hearing impaired individuals should e-mail or call using the local relay service.

Appendix C
Repository Locations

Iola City Hall
2 West Jackson Avenue
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EPA Region 7
Records Center
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Appendix D

Community Interview Questionnaire

1. How long have you lived or worked in this community?
2. What do you think is the most important environmental problem facing your community today?
3. What do you know about the Superfund Program?
4. Are you aware of the Former United Zinc & Associated Smelters Site? (Provide background information about the site).
5. From what you know or have heard of the situation, do you have any major concerns about your own health or safety?
6. Have you heard anyone express other concerns? Have you been hearing any talk about the sites from other residents or business people?
7. Do you want to suggest individuals or groups who should be included on the project mailing list?
8. When EPA schedules any public meetings about the site, what day and time would be most convenient for you?
9. What do you think would be the best location for public meetings in your area?
10. How can EPA best provide you with information concerning site activities? How would you like to be informed (mail, newspapers, television, radio)?
11. How often do you want to receive information about the sites?
12. What radio and television stations and newspapers do you listen to/watch or read?
13. An information repository has been established for the site environmental documents at the Iola City Hall, 2 West Jackson Avenue in Iola. Were you aware of this repository and are you likely to visit the library to review these materials?
14. Do you have any other questions or comments that you'd like to express?